



**June 7, 2011 - Psalm 100:6**

Hi everyone,

So how are you doing? Great? Fine? Getting by? Not too sure about life? In spite of your feelings, can I just prompt you to think on something...God is good! God reminded me of this today and I sure needed to hear it. It is so foundational to walk in this Truth, so let me say it again...God is good! I pray that word refreshes your soul and puts His perspective in your heart and mind today. Let's keep looking at Psalm 101.

In the NASB Psalm 101:6 reads,

**"My eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me;  
he who walks in a blameless way is the one who will minister to me."**

Remember as we shared last week that the theme of righteous living is continuing through Psalm 101, but verse 5 turned us from inward righteousness to things that happen on the outside, specifically in regard to relationships. In verse 5, we memorized words about the importance of not enduring relationships with unrighteous people. It showed us what kind of relationships not to entertain. But what about the kind we are supposed to engage in? Verse 6 speaks to that.

It begins with, **"My eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me..."**

In other words, David is purposefully looking to "hang out with" people who are faithful to the Lord. He is going to invite them to dwell in his life. I like this because I hear another declaration in David's voice. He is intentionally going to seek to have relationships with faithful people. He wants to watch their lives and see how they live. I like how the Message Bible puts it, **"Men and women on the straight and narrow--these are the ones I want at my side."** David knows when he is walking side by side with faithful people, doing life together with them, he has the opportunity to learn from their faithful example.

The second statement of verse 6 builds upon the first. David says, **"He who walks in a blameless way is the one who will minister to me."** This is another clear declaration of intentionality

toward righteousness. David wants to have people in his life who are pursuing blamelessness. This idea of "ministering" is the idea of friendship. Think about it...who do we allow to "minister" to us? Who do we allow to speak into our lives and give guidance and direction and influence? David has decided to be intentional about picking blameless people to have this kind of platform in his life.

What about us? Are we being intentional about hanging out with faithful people? Are we being intentional about who we allow to speak into our lives? Verse 6 gives great direction. It clearly guides us to be intentional about inviting Godly people into our dwelling place. When we do this, we invite all kinds of blessing into our lives because these people will pass along an influence towards righteousness to us. I can think of many in my life whom God has used in this way. Just as verse 5 guided us to keep ungodly people at a long distance, verse 6 guides us to purposefully invite those in who are pursuing righteousness. So have you sent out any invitations lately?

Seeking relationships with faithful and blameless people...it is just right to live before the Lord in this way!



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